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LIMDIS, FOR SR. ADVISER M. FALCO FROM LINNEMANN

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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL WORKING GROUP

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1. SUBSEQUENT TO THE REFTEL, WE HAVE DISCUSSED THE VARIOUS QUESTIONS RAISED ABOUT THE PROPOSED MEETING OF THE SUBJECT GROUP ON FEBRUARY 1 WITH ODAP AND HAVE AGREED ESSENTIALLY ON THE AGENDA LISTED BELOW. TALKING POINTS FOR EACH ITEM IN THE AGENDA WILL BE READY FOR YOU UPON YOUR RETURN.

2. WITH YOUR APPROVAL COPIES OF THE AGENDA WILL BE SENT TO THE PARTICIPANTS REPRESENTING: DOD, TREASURY, JUSTICE, AGRICULTURE, OMB, CIA, USIA, NSC, AND ODAP. ADDITIONALLY, A SHORT MEMO DESCRIBING THE MEETING AND INVITING THEIR ATTENDANCE WILL BE SENT TO DEA, CUSTOMS, COAST GUARD, AID, NIDA, AND STATE FUNCTIONAL AREAS OF UN AMBASSADOR, IO, CA,
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3. AGENDA:

(A) INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY SENIOR ADVISER.

(B) WELCOME BY DEPUTY SECRETARY.

(C) OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL DRUG EFFORTS 1977 BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY COUNCIL.

(D) HIGHLIGHTS OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM - SENIOR ADVISER.

(E) DESCRIPTION OF ROLE OF THE WORKING GROUP AND PROPOSED PROJECTS - SENIOR ADVISER.

4. ITEM (E) WILL PROPOSE THE FORMATION OF AN AD HOC TEAM TO EXAMINE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND MULTINATIONAL FINANCING (IFTS) OF NARCOTICS RELATED ASSISTANCE PROJECTS. TEAM DIRECTION WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO TREASURY, WITH SUPPORT FROM OMB, AID, STATE (EB), AND OTHERS AS NEEDED. THE TEAM'S MISSION WOULD BE TO ANALYZE THE PROBLEM AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO THE INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS PROGRAM (INP).

5. ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS TO BE CONSIDERED AT A LATER TIME WITH SUPPORT FROM GROUP PARTICIPANTS AND POSSIBLY OTHER AGENCIES AS NEEDED WOULD INCLUDE SUCH TOPICS AS AN ASSESSMENT OF WORLDWIDE LICIT SUPPLIES OF OPIATES; LEGAL MATTERS (EXTRADITION, PRISONER EXCHANGE, SHIP SEIZURES); RESEARCH STUDIES AND OTHER INITIATIVES APPROPRIATE FOR THE INP; INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND THE INP.

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6. FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE WORKING GROUP MAY INCLUDE SUPPORT FROM CONCERNED AGENCIES IN AD HOC MEETINGS ON SPECIFIC SUBJECTS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE INP, E.G., ENFORCEMENT, REGIONAL COOPERATION, DIPLOMATIC INITIATIVES, TRAINING, INTELLIGENCE, DEMAND PROGRAMS ABROAD, ETC.

7. THE PRINCIPLE OF INFORMAL STRUCTURE AND AD HOC NATURE OF THE WORKING GROUP WHICH REPRESENTS THE POLICY OF THE STRATEGY COUNCIL WILL BE STRESSED AND EXPLAINED IN REMARKS GIVEN AT THE MEETING BY THE SENIOR ADVISER AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STRATEGY COUNCIL.

8. WE AWAIT YOUR COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE POINTS. CHRISTOPHER

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